

(interruption).

SENATOR PIRSCH: Well, the grey area is that women go on welfare when they're pregnant. I mean, the bill only covers if they get pregnant one month after they sign the contract. Is that not right? They're only excluded from the cash payment if they deliver a child ten months after they sign the contract.

SENATOR WESELY: That's what I remember.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Right. Okay, so I'm saying this does not preclude a woman who is pregnant and goes on welfare and perhaps has several children and what we are precluding then...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR PIRSCH: ...are the cash payments to that woman, unless it is her first unborn child, for which she needs cash to prepare for the birth of that child. So this is not the same as what we have in the welfare bill right now, it is different and it is a little more exclusive, yes, it does...it does say that, yes, we do see that there is a need, if this is your first child, in that last trimester, that there will be cash given to you for those incidentals to prepare for the first unborn child of the pregnant woman. Now pregnant women can go on welfare...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time, Senator Pirsch. And you are recognized to close.

SENATOR PIRSCH: No more lights?

SPEAKER WITHEM: There are no more lights.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay. Perhaps I should have a call of the house, that will take from my time, will it not?

SPEAKER WITHEM: It will take from your time, yes.

SENATOR PIRSCH: But I can be closing while we are calling members?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yes, the way the rule goes if you ask for a call of the house, we vote on whether we want to place the house under call. If we vote successfully then you can close while we're waiting for people to arrive.